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Richardson takes Alford plea deal

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The case against a Stanton woman accused of abuse and neglect of an adult she was supposed to be taking care of, which had been set for trial three times, has come to a quick end. The alleged perpetrator, Ruby Richardson took the Alford plea last Friday, which basically says that though not admitting guilt, there is enough evidence that a conviction would probably be the end result.

Under the deal Richardson was sentenced to five years, but that was turned into a pre-trial diversion deal. Under the order, Richardson will have to stay out of trouble, stay away from Swift and have no contact, either directly or indirectly with her victim. If she abides by all laws and the conditions placed on her during her supervised diversion, the case will be dismissed. The diversion is also for five years.

It was an abrupt ending to a long, drawn out case.

Richardson was quite the celebrity in the news world back on Feb. 6, 2013. It was then that she was indicted by a Powell Grand Jury for abuse or neglect of an adult when police say "she knowingly inflicted injury, intimidation or punishment that resulted in physical or mental injury, or physical pain." Richardson also faces a second count of exploitation of an adult. Police say that Richardson took charge of her victim's money and assistance checks and used that money but not for the victim. She also faces



Ruby Richardson

three counts of first degree wanton endangerment.

After police said she "went on the run", Richardson turned herself in about a week later. But she also brought a Lexington television news crew with her to observe. She stated she feared for her life at the time.

Richardson had been accused of beating her victim, Mary Rose Swift, and forcing her to eat dog food. Officers say Swift, who reportedly weighed over 200 pounds just about 12 months before, was down to 94 pounds when she was found in a home with no heat or food.

At a hearing early in the case Powell County Chief Deputy Robert "Rog" Mathews, who headed the investigation, testified about the alleged abuse. The information was provided mostly by Swift, but Mathews stated then that 13 witnesses have come forward against Richardson. The initial complaint came from Richardson's own daughter, Rebecca Bowman.

Mathews testified that when Swift was found in a home on Martin Street back on Jan. 23, 2013 there was no

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Happy Birthday America!

Firework shows in Powell ready to celebrate 239th birthday

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

So where can you go to see a good firework show this Fourth of July Weekend?

Right here in Powell County of course!

The AmVets Post #67 will be holding their annual Patriot's Day this Saturday, July 4, at the Clay City Meadows Park. The fun is slated to begin at Noon. There will be lots of vendors, food, fun for everyone and some entertainment.

There will be inflatables for the children, a dunking booth and horse rides.

The band "High Voltage" will play from 6-9 p.m. WSKV's Ethan Moore will then take over, playing music right up to and

through the firework show.

The big firework show will take place just after dark, around 9:30 p.m.

Of course the Mt. Park Dragway, one of the best drag racing venues in the state, is located just off exit 18 in Clay City. They will be holding a big weekend of drag racing, according to their website. But on Saturday night, around 10:30 p.m. to go with their 7th Annual Hillbilly Showdown exhibition finals, there will be another awesome fireworks show.

Even though the weather is predicted to be a little stormy, with weather permitting there is no excuse why you cannot see a couple good fireworks shows celebrating our nation's 239th Birthday!

Avery Crabtree is headliner for Richmond Fireworks Show

By TOSHA BAKER
Times Staffwriter

Maybe you like a little bigger crowd and some music with your fireworks. Or maybe you want to try something a little different this year. Powell County native Avery Crabtree will be performing at the Richmond Fireworks

Extravaganza on July 4, at the Lake Reba Recreational Complex on Lake Reba Drive in Richmond.

"I'm very excited to play," Crabtree said.

Crabtree and his band will take the stage at 8:30 p.m. as the headliner. The festivities include music, kid's activities, and fireworks.

The Extravaganza begins at 5 p.m. and fireworks start at 10 p.m. There will be a \$5 charge per car.

"It's a venue where my kids can see me play and it gives me a chance to sing in front of thousands of people," Crabtree said. "Probably the best thing about it is singing in front of my kids though."

After 34 years, Extension Agent Mike Reed is retiring

By TOSHA BAKER
Times Staffwriter

After 34 years of service Mike Reed the County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources is retiring.

"It's time," Reed said. "Maybe time to let somebody else do the job for a while."

Reed gained the title County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources on May, 26, 1981. He was 21 at the time and fresh out of the University of Kentucky. He said he wanted a job closer to his home in Lincoln County where he grew up, and Powell County fit the bill. It also had the crops he was used to.

A year after Reed got the job he began dating Vickie, who worked next door to him in the County Attorney's office.

"We started dating a year after I had started and I guess the rest is history," Reed said.

Reed and Vickie have two daughters, Katie Hurst and Annie Kinser.

The biggest changes Reed said he has seen during his career, are the drop from 650 tobacco farmers to now only 5 or 6, and the internet. He said everyone used to call the extension agent if they wanted information on things like strawberries, daylilies or cattle. Though some still call, most google.

"Google doesn't have the personal touch an extension agent has," Reed said.

Reed recalled the first extension question he ever received, a woman asking when the best time to plant flags was. Flags are the orange daylilies that grow on the side of the road. Since that question Reed has heard and



Powell County Extension Agent Mike Reed

answered many more.

Reed has been overseas twice, traveling to the country of Georgia in 2008, as an ambassador for UK. He also went the country of Serbia in 2010, to talk about agriculture advisory councils and leadership groups.

Reed has been involved in many community activities including the fair and the Bowen First Church of God. Reed said some of his biggest accomplishments were starting The Farmers Market, the Livestock Association, Bee Keepers group, and other leadership groups.

Some of Reed's other accomplishments include writing articles for the Clay City Times every week and hosting radio program every morning at 8:05 a.m. for

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JAMES COOK
Times Editor

Memories and milestones.

Our lives are made up of just such things. We live our lives trying to reach certain plateaus and then look for the next mountain to climb. Along the way we meet people and make memories. These past few weeks I have been looking at the milestones and memories I have made.

Back on June 3, I celebrated my eighth year back at Times. It has been a good run and a hard row to hoe, so to speak, at times. But it has been a good tenure here. I have had the honor of meeting so many people, writing about their lives, letting the community, the state and even the world know a little more about our beloved Powell County. It has been fun and entertaining.

However, I have also had to share bad news, sorrow filled stories and tales I wish I'd never had to write.

I'm just saying . . . Milestones and Memories

I had only been back just over a week when we lost Big Randy. Along the way I have seen the pillars of the community and the every day resident pass on and I grieved for them all. Especially the ones I have known for years.

Recently the loss of Willie Profitt and Ray Rogers, as well as Chester Lacy and Billy Joe Martin, all hit close to home. These men I had either watch grow up or they passed along some very valuable life lessons to me. For that they will always be in my memories.

There have been so many, Bill Mize was like another grandfather to my daughter; Darren Pennington showed us determination and became an inspiration to so many; Tyler Brewer was a friend to all he met and never refused to help one who needed it; Teddy Lacy was one of the kindest men I had ever met and treated me as a friend as well.

If you read this column, when I have time to write one, then you know another memory of a dear friend was shared recently. My dear friend Gwen Reffitt

passed away last month and she left us fighting a good fight, smiling along the way and telling us how we could see her again, by getting to know Jesus. I sure do miss her determination, her smile, her laugh and her always telling me to take care of myself because no one else will.

Then earlier in June another friend who has filled my life with memories passed away. Melody Farmer was one of the first assistant coaches I had the honor to work with in softball. She helped me learn how to understand girls, as best I could when it came to playing ball. But she also taught me a few life lessons about maturing, rational thinking and just enjoying life. From time to time over the years she was a like a mother to me. She would chastise me a little if I had done something she considered bad or praised me if I did something she liked. I knew either way she had my best interest at heart because she was a friend.

I could go on and I don't want to offend anyone if I left your loved one out. But these names came to

this old mind quite quickly. Tomorrow there may be more names that pop up in my memories. Memories are precious and I want to remember as many as I can.

As for another milestone, last Friday I turned 50. Some of you may have seen the photos in last week's classified section, hidden from me until after the paper went to print. I also had a sign and black flow-ers taped to the office back door wishing me a merry entrance into the AARP. It was all in fun and it was a blast. I received a great gift too, tickets to a Reds game from my friends who mean more to me than they know, David, Dee, Kayla and Meghan.

Hard to believe, especially if you knew me as a young man, that I would make it to the Big 5-0. But God has been good to me, so have my family and friends. That was evident by the three nights of dinners I enjoyed for my birthday (don't tell Troy Brooks, he wants me to lose weight), which was wrapped up by a cookout at the Stanton City Park after church last Sunday with friends. (The quick-

est version of the birthday song I had ever heard was sung that night as teenagers tried to not drop the cake and light the candles in the wind for me, but we all made it out of that without icing on me.)

My wife has poked a little fun at me because I would catch myself seeing something that brought back a memory of my childhood as we celebrated my milestone. Then I would reminisce about it and it would bring a smile to my face.

We may look at life as being hard, but when we look at it again, the memories are there of good times if we will just let them shine through.

Soon my daughter will go off to college and many have said I will probably take that hard. I tell them I can make it to Wilmore quickly If I want too. But I know she is reaching for her milestones and making memories, so I'll sit back and enjoy watching her do that. Of course, I may have to open up a photo album or two and reminisce a little. Some memories you need to make sure you awaken everyday.

So as you reach more milestones in life, make sure you take the time to open up those memories and take a look back. Learn from the bad, rejoice with the good and use the lessons learned to reach the next level.

By golly, I'm shooting for 60. Someone said what about being a grandfather. . . . After giving them a stern look I answered, "One mile-stone at a time, my friend one at a time." Sure that's coming, but I leave those milestones and memories up to my daughter on how to get there. I'll just wait to spoil them when they come around (hopefully after her college days are over).

Milestones and memories. A part of life we all endure, but we decide how we are going to deal with them. I chose the path of rejoicing and moving forward. It beats the alternative.

I'm just saying . . .

(P.S. - Speaking of Milestones & Memories, Happy Birthday to Mendel Tipton and Happy Anniversary to Mendel & Debbie – both are this week.)

Defining Freedom: The True meaning of Independence Day



By STATE REP. DAVID HALE
Guest Columnist

This July 4th we will celebrate the 239nd birthday of our great nation, when our forefathers unveiled the document that would help form the foundation of our United States, the Declaration of Independence.

The Declaration of Independence was an answer from our forefathers to the tyranny of the British in which they wrote that "...all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." It was also a

declaration of war in many regards, since our founders took up arms to fight oppression and taxation without representation.

In thinking about the Declaration of Independence as our foundation and what it stands for, it raises the question about what defines freedom. If you look in a Merriam-Webster dictionary, freedom is defined as many things related to "the quality or state of being free," whether it is the freedom to speak, or liberation from slavery or restraint from the power of another.

While our country has experienced great turmoil outside its borders, fighting to free others from tyrannical leaders seeking to dominate or destroy whole peoples and races, to inside our borders the struggle to make sure we all enjoy the same freedoms initially bestowed upon us on July 4, 1776. We haven't forgotten that basic definition of freedom.

That freedom isn't without a price. The lives of men and women lost in the fight to keep that basic definition

in our country and in others around the world. Those same freedoms sometimes created divisions based on how we as a nation accomplish the goals of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. But in the end it is the mere definition of freedom and our common goal as a nation that helps our country move on together in good times and bad. A good example is during the attacks of September 11, 2001 our leaders in Congress set aside their political and ideological differences and gathered on the steps of the U.S. Capitol to show that we as a nation were united in the face of a threat to our freedom and the freedom of others.

As we gather with family and friends to celebrate the 4th of July, let's also remember the strife our nation has gone through to keep the definition of freedom whole and as an example to the rest of the world. It is the word freedom and what it means that is the true meaning of Independence Day.

No fireworks in National Forest

Everyone loves a good firework show, everyone except if its in the forest.

With the Fourth of July holiday coming up this weekend, Daniel Boone National Forest officials are reminding visitors that all fireworks are banned on national forest lands.

Forest Service policy prohibits "possessing, dis-

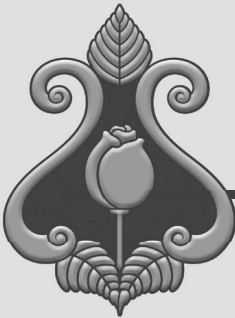
charging or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device" within the national forest.

"This policy was developed to help ensure the safety of our forest visitors," said Forest Supervisor Bill Lorenz.

"The use of fireworks was never permitted in developed recreation areas, but

our policy now extends the ban on fireworks to the general forest area."

Forest Service regulations also require that campfires be attended at all times. The agency recommends campfires in designated fire rings and grills within developed recreation areas to minimize the risk of an uncontrolled wildfire.



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Forest Service welcomes Kazmierski as the new district ranger to DBNF

The Daniel Boone National Forest welcomes Jonathan Kazmierski as the new District Ranger for the Cumberland Ranger District.

Kazmierski comes to Kentucky from California where he served as a district recreation officer for the Inyo National Forest. He has more than 15 years of experience with the U.S. Forest Service.

“I am thrilled at the opportunity to assist the talented staff of the Daniel Boone National Forest in their continued delivery of quality public programs and services and am look-

ing forward to working closely with communities and partners on many important forest issues,” said Kazmierski.

Kazmierski has experience in managing various recreation and natural resource programs. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Policy and Behavior and a Master of Science in Conservation Biology and Ecosystem Management, accomplishing both degrees from the University of Michigan.

“My family and I are excited about living in the gorgeous and inspiring mountains of Eastern Ken-



tucky and becoming part of the community.

“I enjoy exploring new places, experiencing new outdoor recreation adventures, continued learning, and sharing my passion for the outdoors with my family and friends.”

2015 Extension Farm Leader’s Tour



Times photo by Mike Reed

The 2015 Extension Farm Leader’s Tour took this group of 60 Powell County farmers to the back roads of Surry County, North Carolina. Farmers toured Shelton’s vineyards, one of the largest in North Carolina, a chicken hatching facility and a bee yard. Here the group starts out their day at the Johnson Family Farm in Dobson, NC, which had over 100 acres of flue cured tobacco, corn, soybeans, wheat and barley, along with a large beef cattle herd. One of the farm tour topics here was the encroachment of residential areas on local farms and some of the legal battles farmers there were facing regarding water, farm odors and overall struggles farmers there faced in order to produce livestock.

Part of the 2015 Farm Leader’s Tour was a luncheon at the Martha Washington Inn (above) in Abingdon, VA on Thursday, June 18. The Martha Washington Inn was once a Confederate Hospital, then was turned into a girls College and dormitory. Sixty Powell Countians toured the Woodbrook Limousin Farm (bottom right) in Abingdon, Virginia as part of the 2015 Extension Service Farm Leader’s Tour. Mr. Phil Blevins, County Extension Agent



for Agriculture in Washington County, Virginia escorted the group and gave information regarding the agriculture of the area. Special thanks to Whitaker

Bank, Powell County Farm Bureau, and the Powell County Livestock Producer’s Association for sponsoring the tour.

Happy 60th Anniversary

Jesse and Marcia Willoughby of Willoughby Lane, off Hardwick’s Creek Road, celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on June 22 with Michael and Donna Willoughby and Tony and Wilma Willoughby at Cheddar’s Restaurant in Lexington.

They were married in 1955 in Lexington, where they lived until 1971.

They have three children, Tony, Mitchell and Michael; seven grandchildren and several great grandchildren.



Jesse and Marcia Willoughby

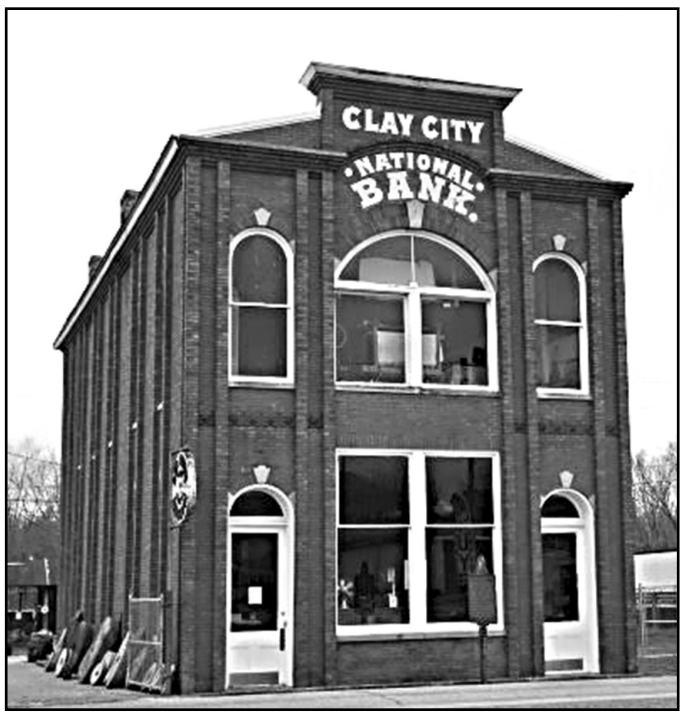
News from the Red River Museum

Are you and your family going to the Clay City Patriots Day on Saturday, July 4?

We are really excited to let you know that the museum will have an exhibit in Am-Vets, Post 67 building adjacent to the Clay City Park. We will have publications, historical relics, pictures, and membership forms for joining the Red River Historical Society. There will be some of our usual exhibitors involved but we are unsure of names at this time.

While attending the event, we hope you will stop by and visit us. Each child will receive a free gift. The Museum will be open our usual hours on Saturday and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m. So come on over after you visit Patriot Day activities.

The Red River Museum and Historical Society recently had a chance to purchase additional storage space and land which was sorely needed to house relics and antiques which are now stored in barns and garages all over the coun-



ty. After seeking contributions from members and sponsors, we purchased the property on 8th Street on a land contract with a down payment and monthly payments for 5 years.

We have already had volunteers helping get this property ready for use. We have recently had some nice donations and gifts to the

museum which we will be putting on exhibit soon.

Our museum is listed in the 2015 Kentucky Travel and we have more visitors from out of county and state. Please plan to bring your family and friends down to the museum and learn more about the history of this area and your heritage.

Upcoming Local Government Meetings

July 9
Stanton City Council
@ 6:30 p.m.
Powell County Courthouse

July 13 & July 27
Powell County School

Board
@ 6 p.m PCHS Cafeteria

July 14
Powell County Fiscal Court
@ 6 p.m. Powell County

Courthouse

July 20
Clay City Council
@ 7 p.m. Clay City Municipal Building

Central Registration for 15-16 School Year

We will once again be registering and enrolling **ALL** Powell County Students for the 2015-2016 school year at the **Powell County High School lunch room**. You will come to the school just one time to enroll all your children - even if you have children at 3 different schools. You will come on the first day in the following schedule where you have any child enrolled. **This is the time to make sure your children are enrolled and ready to attend the Powell County Schools for the 2015-2016 school year.**

Please come to the Powell County High School lunch room on the following schedule:

Wednesday, July 8 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Families who have Senior or Sophomore students at Powell County High SchoolFamilies who have a student at Bowen Elementary OR Stanton Elementary
Thursday, July 9 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Families who have Junior or Freshmen students at Powell County High SchoolFamilies who have a student at Clay City Elementary OR Powell County Middle School
Friday, July 10 Monday, July 13 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	***NO REGISTRATION*** <ul style="list-style-type: none">New Powell County Enrollments- Students who are new to the district in any grade levelNew Preschool students identified as attending a Powell County SchoolMake-up day for any family who couldn’t attend earlier

All forms that will be required to fill out will be on the district website if you want to print them and fill them out before coming to one of the enrollment days listed above. Go to www.powell.kyschools.us and click on the parent link and then the enrollment link.

Location of Event: Powell County High School Lunchroom

Call Sarah Wasson at 663-3300 with any questions.

Time of the Event: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 9:00-5:00 Monday

What you will do: When you enter the lunchroom, you will receive a print out of the information we currently have in our system. This will be given to you by family, so you will be reviewing all of your children’s information at one time. If your address, phone number, e-mail address, etc. has changed, you will update the information. If nothing has changed, you will sign your papers and turn them in to the clerks.

You will also be filling out the lunch form, permission pages for your children, and updated medical information. **High school students will pay their fees**, get parking passes and lockers, and receive schedules.

If you are unable to attend on any of the registration days, you will have to complete paperwork at the back to school nights before you can visit the classrooms and meet the teachers. This is more time consuming, so please try to attend.

Parents will have the opportunity to sign up for a parent portal account to view grades and attendance on line.

What you should bring:

Completed physical form for grade 6 and K (if not submitted during kindergarten registration)	Court Documents (if applicable) for guardianship or custody	Birth Certificate/ Immunizations/ / Social Security Card- if new to district	Proof of address if new to the district or address has changed	If you are birth parent or guardian and are new to the district, please bring identification.
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The first day for students for the 15-16 school year is August 4th.

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The Declaration of Independence was not written at a whim because a few people wanted to see a change. No, the men who signed this document represented the thoughts, hopes and dreams of the colonists that it was high time for them to break free from a tyranical monarch, put their faith in God, their countrymen and themselves and become a nation. A nation based on ideas that people matter and the people need to have a say so in how they are governed.

Those ideas and dreams are still alive today and from time to time we need to be reminded of the hardships the men who signed this document faced after signing it. Some lost their families, their fortunes and even their lives. But they believed in a country where we could be free from tyranny, free from persecution just because we choose or choose not to worship a certain way and a land where it was quite clear they believed that divine leadership was essential.

As a nation we have not always agree on all issues and we sometimes try to twist these words below and the words of the Constitution to make us look right. Same say these “living documents”, a testament of the strength of democracy as the dominant political structure that has endured and outlasted other ideologies worldwide, is under attack. It may well be, based on your beliefs and understanding. But when all is said and done, we come together to protect this land and our rights given to us by God, watched over by “We the People” and protected by the men and women of the U.S military who have fought and died to keep us free.

So this Fourth of July, between the pool parties, cook-outs and fireworks, take a little time to reflect on what has been done to make us a free nation for 239 years and honor the fact, plus appreciate it.

Happy Birthday America! May God Bless us and keep us as One Nation, Under God, Indivisible with Liberty and Justice for All!

The Declaration of Independence

Philadelphia
July 4, 1776
The Unanimous Declaration of the Thirteen United States of America.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature’s God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness -- That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive to these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles and organizing its Powers in such Form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and accordingly all Experience hath shown that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of Great- Britain is a History of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World.

HE has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good.

HE has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, unless suspended in their Operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

HE has refused to pass other Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a Right inestimable to them and formidable to Tyrants only.

HE has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole Purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

HE has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly Firmness his Invasions on the Rights of the People.

HE has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the meantime exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without, and the Convulsions within.

HE has endeavored to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migration hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

HE has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

HE has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices, and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

HE has erected a Multitude of new Offices, and sent hither Swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their Substance.

HE has kept among us, in Times of Peace, Standing Armies without the consent of our Legislature.

HE has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to Civil Power.

HE has combined with others to subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

FOR quartering large Bodies of Armed Troops among us:

FOR protecting them, by mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

FOR cutting off our Trade with all Parts of the World:

FOR imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:

FOR depriving us in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury:

FOR transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended Offences:

FOR abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighboring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies:

FOR taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

FOR suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

HE has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

HE has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Coasts, burned our Towns, and destroyed the Lives of our People.

HE is, at this Time, transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the Works of Death, Desolation, and Tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and Perfidy, scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized Nation.

HE has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioners of their Friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

HE has excited domestic Insurrections amongst us, and has endeavored to bring on the Inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known Rule of Warfare, is undistinguished Destruction of all Ages, Sexes and Conditions.

IN every stage of these Oppressions we have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble Terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated Injury. A Prince, whose Character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the Ruler of a free People.

NOR have we been wanting in Attentions to our British Brethren. We have warned them from Time to Time of attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the Circumstances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have appealed to their native Justice and Magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to disavow these Usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our Connections and Correspondence. They too have been deaf to the Voice of Justice and Consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the Necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of Mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace, Friends.

WE, therefore, the Representatives of the UNITED STATES of AMERICA, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitude of our Intentions, do, in the Name, and by the Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly Publish and Declare, that these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be, FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES; that they are absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political Connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which INDEPENDENT STATES may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

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AG Conway opens his gubernatorial race by barking up the wrong tree on gas prices

By **H.B. ELKINS**
Guest Columnist

Even before he knew who his Republican gubernatorial opponent will be this fall – and indeed, even before his own all-but-certain nomination by the Democrats was official – Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway fired his first shot in his bid to win the Bluegrass State’s top spot.

Unfortunately for him, his shot was a dud, missing the mark entirely.

Conway has long railed against gasoline pricing in Kentucky, blaming high costs at the pump on what he asserts is a monopoly on the wholesale market in the state by Marathon Petroleum. His latest salvo was a lawsuit filed in federal court last month. During his remarks following the filing of the suit, Conway lashed out at the Federal Trade Commission for what he calls inaction on his complaints about Marathon and its business practices since buying the Ashland Oil refinery in Boyd County several years ago.

Given the fact that the FTC is part of the Obama administration, and knowing how Democrats hate “Big Oil” and are constantly criticizing oil companies for ripping off consumers, if Obama’s FTC isn’t acting on Conway’s complaints, there must not be anything to them.

But at any rate, Conway’s ire is misguided. Instead of complaining about Marathon’s alleged refinery monopoly costing consumers money, he should really be looking at the collusion on pricing by retailers within individual markets.

If you travel much, it doesn’t take long to notice a pattern. Gas prices are pretty much the same at every station in a small town or community, or at every retailer in a certain area of a larger city. Within the city limits of Beat-

tyville, there are four gas stations owned by three separate companies. Yet the price is the same at each one. Ditto for Jackson. Drive down the town’s main drag, and the price is the same at each of the five stations you’ll pass. When the price goes up at one, it’s not long before it goes up at all the others.

A few weeks ago, I had to go to Whitesburg for work. You can’t go any farther southeast in Kentucky than the Letcher County seat. Keep going in that direction, and you’ll be in Virginia in a few miles. Whitesburg is 80 miles from the Mountain Parkway, so it’s not exactly the most accessible place in the Bluegrass State. Yet gas prices there were consistently below \$2.50 a gallon, easily the cheapest in the region. Still, all the stations there were selling gas for the same price.

Gas buyers will go out of their way for a bargain. It’s not uncommon for them to drive across town to save a few cents a gallon, spending more than they end up saving. Yet there’s no logical explanation for all stations in a certain market keeping their prices the same. Why won’t one station set its price a nickel a gallon less than everyone else to undercut the competition? There has to be collusion going on between the stations to keep gas at the same price. That’s the only logical explanation.

If one station lowers its prices, it makes good business sense for competitors to lower theirs. But where’s the logic in raising your prices when everyone else does?

Conway’s statement that the state is monopolized by the Ashland refinery is false on its face. When the city of Somerset opened its own gas station in an attempt to lower prices in the area, it made a big deal of pointing out that the city’s station would be buying its fuel from the recently-reopened Somerset Oil refinery. So there are other options

available, but Conway wants to pretend otherwise. It’s easier for him to gripe about the big bad oil companies rather than looking for true solutions.

If Conway is really serious about lowering gas prices, here’s what he needs to do. Instead of complaining in front of the media and filing lawsuits that won’t go anywhere, he needs to send his investigators out into the state. Pick a town, any town, where prices are all the same. Let his team start asking how the retailers set their prices, and why they always raise their prices when certain competitors do. There have been press quotes from some gas station employees saying they’ve been told to raise their prices whenever the station across the street does so. Wonder if they’ll say the same thing if an “unsworn falsification to authorities” charge hangs over their heads?

But for some reason, Conway doesn’t want to risk alienating the gas station owners. He’d rather point fingers at a huge conglomerate and blame them instead of going after the root of the problem. He gets headlines and makes it look like he cares about consumers, but the reality is something totally different. If Conway wants to protect consumers, he’ll take a serious look at collusion among retailers. He can either eliminate it if it exists, or force them to provide a logical and believable explanation as to why everyone in town sells gas for the same price, and the collusion that seems so evident is really just a mirage.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader expresses their opinion about columnist’s views of gubernatorial candidate

Dear Editor,

I am writing to respond to another unfounded opinion of a reporter/newsperson who has chosen to believe one person over another without any proof or justification. H.B. Elkins wrote a couple of weeks ago that current Agriculture Commissioner James Comer should have just apologized, admitted his alleged behavior and all may have been well. I wonder how this newsperson would have reacted if it was his actions that were targeted with no proof of conduct other than the word of a single individual, who as of this letter has still not produced the supposed documents to the Courier Journal. His opinion claims that we must just assume when someone attacks the character and behavior of an individual in the political arena that they should just admit, apologize and forget

in order to survive politically. I am appalled by the very concept!

Not one document has been presented to confirm the allegation of abusive conduct. The only evidence presented is the personal claim and denial of both parties. Both parties also have people that claim they witnessed or never saw the abuse. With that being said, I am excited and proud of the conduct of Mr. Comer by saying “I didn’t do what I am accused of and my character will not allow me to be persecuted and defamed for something I did not do without a fight.

The sheer accusation is cause for frustration and anger. To combat the accusations without political regard to how it would be perceived is a positive in the lives of most people and not just a politician or public figure. I think to confront untruths and personal slan-

der is a quality.

When all is said and done, and the people of Kentucky realize that anytime or in any public situation that all you have to do to defame or slander a political figure is to stir up an untruth then the faith in our system will be gone. Not only that but the citizens of Kentucky will not elect the best and brightest to represent them and the Commonwealth because of a political ploy. Then the same media type wants to bash them for fighting against an accusation that still hasn’t been proven. Give me a break! Take the falsehoods and apologize for something you contend never happened or stand and fight against the aggression of paid political defamation. I’ll take the fighter because that is what we elect officials to do for us. Represent our best interests by fighting for what is right.

Get off your seat and out of your cubicle and find the truth instead of giving an unsubstantiated opinion on what should have been done. Oh, and by the way, how many political races have you won?

In four or five years the voters of Kentucky will have forgot about this bought and paid for supposed scandal and I truly believe that Mr. Comer’s career is far from over. However, over or not I will always appreciate the fight against what will go down in Kentucky politics as one of the lowest most despicable ploys to infect the Commonwealth.

Shame on you Mr. Elkins for even hinting that he should have just rolled over and played dead. Don’t you think we have seen enough faltering leadership in our lifetime?

Darrell Billings
Stanton

PLEA DEAL

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heat in the home and no food. “The temperature outside was 17 degrees at 11 a.m. when we went to the house,” Mathews said. “She (Swift) was on the couch covered up with three or four blankets.”

Mathews stated that Swift told him and Susan Jones from Adult Protective Services that Richardson had beaten her and she was not fed very much. Mathews also indicated that the investigation was on-going based on statements Swift had made.

Richardson has denied all charges and accusations. At a bond hearing in 2013 some questions were raised by the defense about evidence apparently not showing any bruises on the victim. Richardson vehemently denied mistreating Swift or ever feeding her dog food.

The case has been delayed several times. It was scheduled to go to trial in September of 2013, but was delayed until Feb. 23, 2015. Then that trial date was delayed as well until this past Monday. But the plea deal last Friday stopped the trial from beginning.

Under the deal Richardson also has to make restitution to Swift in the amount of \$4,000 at the rate of \$200 per month. The charge to which she plead guilty is a Class D felony. Three counts of wanton endangerment and one count of exploitation of an adult, also Class D felonies, were dismissed.

Another case in which Richardson had been accused of trafficking in controlled substances was also dismissed.

Library says ‘Thanks’

I would like to thank all businesses and individuals, who gave donations for this year’s 2015 Summer Reading Program at the Powell County Public Library. Thanks to you we had another great year. I would like to thank the ones who brought the children to the program each day.

A special thanks for Brother Bill and his puppets, Mike Reed, Kentucky

Division of Forestry, Powell County Ambulance service, & Ronald McDonald. To all the staff, volunteer’s & our director Julie Carroll thanks for all your help. I’m looking for a better program next year.

Thanks
Ms. Rose
Children’s Librarian

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OBITUARIES

Drema Adkins, 48

Drema Adkins, 48, of Shiloh Road, Clay City, passed away at her residence on June 23, 2015. Born in Charleston, WV she was the daughter of the late Willie B. Adkins and the late Linda Mae Bays Zornes. Drema is survived by two sisters, Patsy Goodwin and her husband David of Orgas, WV and Ella Griffy and her husband Tim of Sylvester, WV. No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements by Hearne Funeral Home, Inc.

Donald Lee Mullins, 49

Donald Lee “Rascal” Mullins, 49, Stanton, husband of Virginia Ann Jones Mullins, passed away Monday, June 22. He was born July 28, 1965 to the late Curtis and Lillie Mae Jennet Mullins. Survivors include his wife, Virginia Ann Mullins, Stanton; daughters, Tosha Sexton, Stanton and Amanda Jones, Richmond; brothers, James Mullins, Irvine, Douglas Mullins, McKee, Bobby Mullins, Lakeland, FL, Alfred Mullins, Jeffersonville, Joey Mullins, Clay City, Billy Mullins, Irvine, and John Mullins, Indiana; sisters, Linda Hedger, Irvine, Phyllis Campbell, Winchester, and Patsy Hurley, Irvine; grandchildren, David Spurlock, Shannon Spurlock, and William Smith. Services were held on Thursday, June 25 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, Stanton by Rev. Gene Johns and Rev. Herbert Barnett. Burial was in Mullins Cemetery, Estill County with Terry Tipton, David Markland, Harold Thomas, Danny Plowman, Jimmy Cole, William Byrd, Kenny Case, Ricky Shuler, Scott Wireman, and B J Bowles serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers serving were his brothers.



CRMC welcomes new Orthopedic Spine Surgeon

Clark Regional Medical Center is pleased to welcome Orthopedic Spine Surgeon, James Rice, M.D. to the medical community. Dr. Rice is skilled in all aspects of orthopedics with a focus on treating spinal issues. He specializes in degenerative conditions of the cervical and lumbar spine, minimally invasive spine surgery, spinal deformity, neck and back injury, care for fractures and general orthopedic injuries and diseases. Dr. Rice will be providing medical care at Kentucky Orthopedic Associates. “We are excited to welcome Dr. Rice to Winchester,” says Cherie Sibley, CEO of Clark Regional Medical Center, “I’m confident that his expertise in orthopedic and spine surgery will be an asset to the residents of Clark County and surrounding areas.” Dr. Rice is a Kentucky native and understands the needs of the community and his patients. Dr. Rice is a graduate of the University Of Louisville School Of Medicine. He completed his Residency in Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Florida



in Gainesville, FL and completed a Fellowship in Spine Surgery at West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV. Dr. Rice is relocating from the Ashland area and is excited to begin working in the Winchester community. You may make an appointment with Dr. Rice by calling 859-737-5333. His office is located at 404 Shoppers Drive in Winchester, and the hours of operation are Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To learn more about Clark Regional Medical Center and the services and providers available to you, visit www.clarkregional.org and follow the hospital on Facebook.

Starling takes part in Capitol Hill panel

Rural hospital leaders made their case for regulatory relief from federal policies – like the 96-hour physician certification requirement, direct physician supervision of outpatient therapeutic services and meaningful use standards for health information technology – at a June 9 briefing on Capitol Hill. The 96-hour physician certification requirement as a condition for reimbursing a critical access hospital “shifts our focus from patient needs and quality to meeting regulatory needs ... and takes decisions about patient care out of the hands of the doctor,” said Susan Starling, president and CEO of Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital in Irvine. “How do you explain to an 85-year-old patient who is sick that they are being transferred out of their community for hospitalization ... away from their family, home and support system all because of a regulation?”

The physician certification requirement is an outgrowth of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services’ (CMS) “two-midnight” inpatient admission policy – “one of those burdensome regulatory policies that is going to be very difficult for us to implement,” said Starling. “To be admitted to our hospital you must be sick enough to stay at the hospital for longer than two days, which is the two-midnight rule, but not too sick that you have to stay longer than four days, which is the 96-hour condition of payment,” she told congressional staff. “You are jumping through regulatory hoops. And if you don’t fit into these specific parameters, you can’t be admitted to our hospital for care. I don’t think you want this to be the standard of care for patients in rural America.” Starling received the 2013 AHA Shirley Ann Munroe Leadership Award, which recognizes the accomplishments of small or rural hospital leaders who have improved health care in their communities. Panelist Christina Campos, CEO of 10-bed Guadalupe Hospital in Santa Rosa, N.M., took aim at CMS’s direct supervision policy, which requires a supervising physician or non-physician practitioner to be immediately available whenever a Medicare patient receives outpatient therapeutic services. CMS in 2009 characterized the direct supervision requirement as a “restatement and clarification” of existing outpatient payment policy that had been in place since 2001 – a move that put hospitals at increased risk for unwarranted enforcement actions. Like the AHA and other rural hospital leaders, Campos called for setting a default standard



Dick Brown, Montana Hospital Association President; Christina Campos, Administrator of Guadalupe County Hospital in Santa Rosa, N.M.; and Susan Starling, president and CEO of Marcum & Wallace Hospital, describe the challenges facing rural hospitals at a June 9 Congressional briefing.

of general supervision for outpatient therapeutic services – a standard that does not require the direct presence of a physician. “Everybody is asking for something more, whether it’s electronic medical records or the 96-hour rule or direct supervision,” she noted. “We feel like we are dying a death of a million paper cuts. We are asking to be allowed to do our job with the resources we have so people get the care they need when they need it.” Montana Hospital Association President Dick Brown highlighted the need for innovative solutions to ensure residents in rurally isolated areas continue to receive access to care. “One of rural America’s biggest challenges is getting CMS to acknowledge the realities of rural health care and move forward with innovative solutions,” he said. “Rural states need the opportunity to continue to grow their own health care programs by exploring options through demonstrations. That means we need the flexibility to experiment with new ways of providing health care.” The panelists urged Congress to pass important rural legislation, including the Critical Access Hospital Relief Act, H.R. 169/S. 258, the Protecting Access to Rural Therapy Services Act, or PARTS Act, H.R. 1611/S. 257, and the Rural Community Hospital (RCH) Demonstration Extension Act, H.R./S. 607. The Critical Access Hospital Relief Act would remove the 96-hour physician certification requirement as a condition of payment; the PARTS Act would adopt a default standard of general supervision for outpatient therapeutic services; and the RCH Demonstration Extension Act would extend for five years a program that enables rural hospitals with fewer than 51 acute-care beds to test the feasibility of cost-based reimbursement.

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MIKE REED
County Ag.
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A Bittersweet
Column

I have been contemplating on how I would pen this article for quite some time. As most of you already know, I have made the decision to retire effective July 7, 2015. I have served as your County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources since May 26, 1981 and it has been an incredible journey for the past 34 years.

I came to Powell County in early April 1981 to “look around”. I was told there were two counties in the state of Kentucky which had vacancies for an Ag agent. I had promised my family back in Lincoln County and myself not to move too far from home, hoping to work somewhere within a two-hour drive of Greasy Ridge Road.

The day I came in Powell County, way before the days of Map-quest and the Internet, it was pouring down the rain and was cold. According to the road map, the quickest way to get here was to Richmond, then Irvine, then Ravenna, then over the mountain into Stanton. Logging was booming at that time and I think I met every log truck and gravel truck in Powell County on that day. You know the roads were slick, wet and winding, and I almost heaved before I got into Stanton. I thought, surely there is a better place than this. I met with the Fiscal Court, headed by Judge Billy Joe Martin. Some of the Court members were Charlie Manning, Woody Ware, George Otis Rogers and Windy Gaylord, all of whom are deceased. I remember Woody asking me if I knew anything. I was 21 and certainly did not have a clue about most things. I was raised on a dairy farm. We grew tobacco, alfalfa and cows. My boss, J.W Kidwell told me these were good

Bittersweet: Reed ready to ride into retirement

people, and I would do well here. He encouraged me to give it a try. With much prayer, I decided to move to Powell County.

I remember my first Landlord. That was George Elkins. By conversations with him over the phone, he told me he would have a nice one bedroom apartment in Clay City ready by the middle of May. I loved George, but soon learned that he had a lot of irons in the fire. He was not always punctual, and he told you what you wanted to hear. His price was right, so I told him I would take the place sight unseen. I needed a place to stay. I was desperate.

When I arrived in Clay City the last week in May, it was hot. What George did not tell me was that my apartment was upstairs, just over the Clay City Times Office. It had 14 windows and no air conditioner. When I got there for the first night, there was no running water, but the electric was on. I purchased a cheap window air conditioner and put that in and spent the first week in style, just next to the old sewer plant in Clay City. In a few days, my water was turned on and my life started to get organized. It was while there that I met Mr. Edmond Burger, retired editor of the Clay City Times, who became a dear friend. I also met Mrs. Jerlene Rose who was current editor of the Clay City Times. I would walk down my steps on Tuesday night and talk to she and Kathy as they were putting the paper together. I talked to Jerlene about having an article for the CCT. She agreed to put my information in each week.

My first article was on corn borers in field corn and sweet corn. It was a “canned article” from the University of Kentucky. I thought I was doing what my employer, the University wanted. Jerlene put the article in the paper reluctantly, then she called me. She then gave me the best advice that I had received about being an Ag agent. She said : “I ran your article this week, but will not do it again. You gave me a canned article from UK, I



get that already. If you want to be successful writing for my paper, you need to take the research based information given from UK, then write your article around that. I want you to use the names of local people. I want you to take pictures of their cows, their corn crops, their gardens. I want you to have your article with a local twist. If you do that, I will print every article you

write. If you don't it may just get thrown in the basket with all the other trash I get”!

I thought her words were a little harsh at the time, but that advice has resounded in my ear more than once over the years. I have strived to make my article fact filled, but fun. I will go down in time as the County Agent with the “Red Lobster” chickens. I have taken

pictures of your cows, your gardens, your flowers and your children over the past 34 years.

Before the days of Facebook the Clay City Times was the primary way that we gave out information to our local people. You read my column, and in some ways, made me a local celebrity-a title I certainly did not deserve. “Oh you are the guy in the newspaper” they would say...”Let me ask you something”. Then they would continue to ask about their bugs, their crawdads or their peaches that were rotting on the limb. In many cases, I did not have the answer. Sometimes, there was simply no answer. But I tried to listen and treat each question as the most important one of the day.

In the meantime, I fell in love with and married a sweet lady who worked in John Cox's and Richard Fain's office two doors down from my office. That 32 year marriage resulted in two beautiful, and intelligent daughters who I am so proud of. They are my greatest accomplishment.

Through the years, I have taken your kids to camp, I have taught them how to look down the side of a cow to see how straight she was. I took them to their first tobacco warehouse. I took them to Lexington for the first time in their lives. I placed ribbons on their

pumpkins at the County Fair. I chased the greasy pig, before it entered the Fairgrounds. I turned hams over a fire pit at 4:00 in the morning when all the others went home. My job has taken me to the countries of Georgia and Serbia, teaching their Extension people how Ag Advisory programs are used in Extension Services in Kentucky. I have had little kids hug me because they received a pumpkin at a Head Start school program. I have fed thousands at Field Days, customer appreciation days, banquets and winter meetings. I have traveled thousands of miles. But hopefully, through all this, I have made a difference in someone's life.

In looking back over the past 34 years, I know that few people are as blessed as I have been to have had a job that did not seem like work. To get up in the morning and work and each day be a little different than the day before. To have had good co-workers to work with who kept your back and good friends who were there to work along-side you. They were always there to help you succeed.

I could name many names over the years who have given me great love and support, but I know I would forget many, at best, so I won't mention names. To those who helped me over the years, “Thank You”. It has been a wonderful journey. It has been a wonderful career, but now I feel the time has come to pass the torch to someone else, someone with much more energy than I have now. God has certainly blessed me beyond measure, with great family, friends and a beautiful place to work and live. He knew what He was doing by placing me in this place, and for that I will always be grateful! And with that I will leave you with one of my favorite Bible verses that pretty much sums up how I feel. It comes from Jeremiah 29:11: “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord., plans to prosper you and not to harm you; plans to give you hope and a future”. God bless you all! - Mike

REED

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WSKV since 1982. He has also worked with tourism and Natural Bridge.

“I still plan on doing a lot of those things,” Reed said. “I just won't have the title, I won't get to wear the Extension Agency t-shirt anymore.”

Reed remembered some of the best advice he received was from Jerlene Rose the editor of Clay City Times when he first moved to Powell County.

“You need to write like your talking to the people,” Rose said to Reed. “You need to use local names, local people and local events.”

This advice has helped Reed to write award winning articles state and nationwide.

Reed said he won't miss working at the Powell County Fair every night all week long, but he will miss the kids and the greasy pig contest that he started 32 years ago.

“They're going to have to find somebody else to help with that,” Reed said. “I don't have the energy to chase that pig anymore.”

Reed says his favorite memories during his job has been the people. He recalled the kids he's taken to 4H camp, kids that he helped with livestock judging, the farmers and the homeowners that he has helped over the years.

“There all good memories,” Reed said.

Reed said he will miss his job but he is glad to retire and allow someone else to do it for a while. He said he hopes they replace him with another people person.

“You don't have to necessarily know a whole lot in a certain area,” Reed said. “But you have to know how to work with people.”

Reed said he wanted to retire while he still has the health to be able to do stuff and go places. Reed's last day on the job will be July 7. He said he plans to continue living in Powell County and stay active in the community.

“I hope I've done a good job,” Reed said. “I hope the people have been pleased, I've made wonderful friends and a wonderful lifetime of memories here.

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New summer camp helps children cope with loss

Summertime in Powell County is always recognized by the abundance of camps for children from 4H and church camps to basketball and volleyball camps! Students from all grade levels are active in these camps.

This year, Clay City Elementary began a new kind of camp in Powell County for children, CAMP F.L.Y., or Forever Loving You, a bereavement camp for children who have lost loved ones. The idea originated at Morehead State University, and with the help of Nathania Bush, CCE's guidance counselor, Beth Mullins, was able to start the camp here.

During the three day long camp, students participated in many fun-filled activities,

including arts and craft, sign language, kickball, music, and even wrapped up the week at Natural Bridge by swimming.

The camp's purpose was to help students learn to cope and manage the feelings of grief children often experience when dealing with death. This was the first year of CAMP F.L.Y. in Powell County and was definitely a success. The camp experience was made possible by special local sponsors, including Blessings Floral Designs, Clementines, Hearne Funeral Home, and Hospice East, as well as several volunteers throughout the week.

We look forward to continuing each year with CAMP F.L.Y. and watching it grow over the years.



2015 Camp F.L.Y. Participants



2015 Lady Pirates Basketball Camp

Times Photos by James Cook

The annual Lady Pirates Basketball Camp was held last week (June 22-24) at the Powell County High School. High school players joined their Head Coach, Ken Jones, and Assistant Coach David Faulkner in helping to teach the younger girls basketball fundamentals. The campers played in 3-on-3 and 5-on-5 games, as well as other fun activities to help sharpen their skills and give them more knowledge about playing the game.



2015 Lady Pirates Basketball Campers of the Week:
Eastern Division - Katie Neal
Western Division - Briana Bush



Lady Pirates Volleyball Camp

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4th of July Cookout Recipes



Ingredients

Original recipe makes 6 servings

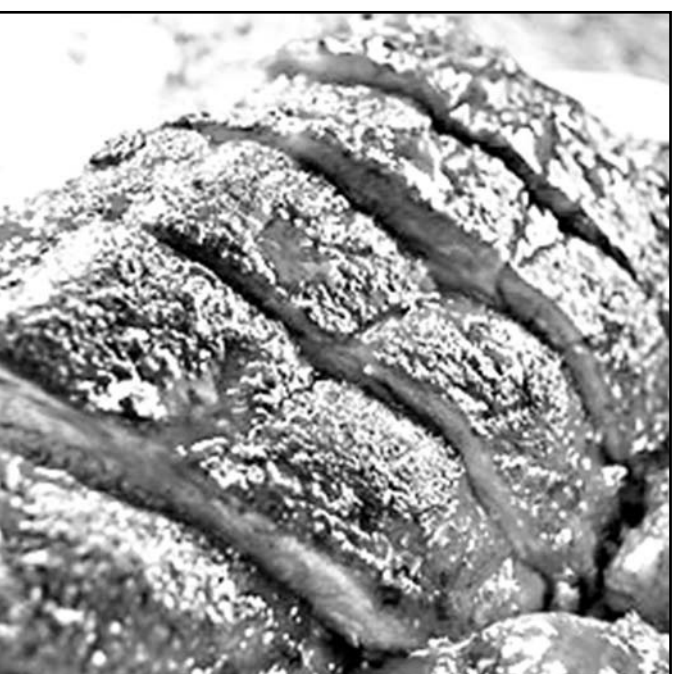
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- 3 tablespoons prepared coarse-ground mustard
- 3 cloves garlic, peeled and minced
- 1 lime, juiced
- 1/2 lemon, juiced
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- Ground black pepper to taste
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 6 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

Directions

In a large glass bowl, mix the cider vinegar, mustard, garlic, lime juice, lemon juice, brown sugar, salt, and pepper. Whisk in the olive oil. Place chicken in the mixture. Cover, and marinate 8 hours, or overnight.

Preheat an outdoor grill for high heat.

Lightly oil the grill grate. Place chicken on the prepared grill, and cook 6 to 8 minutes per side, until juices run clear. Discard marinade.



Ingredients

Original recipe makes 6 servings
 1 tablespoon ground cumin
 1 tablespoon chili powder
 1 tablespoon paprika
 Salt and pepper to taste
 3 pounds baby back pork ribs
 1 cup barbecue sauce

Directions

Preheat a gas grill for high heat, or arrange charcoal briquettes on one side of the barbecue. Lightly oil the grate.

In a small jar, combine cumin, chili powder, paprika, salt, and pepper. Close the lid, and shake to mix.

Trim the membrane sheath from the back of each rack. Run a small, sharp knife between the membrane and each rib, and snip off the membrane as much as possible. Sprinkle as much of the rub onto both sides of the ribs as desired. To prevent the ribs from becoming too dark and spicy, do not thoroughly rub the spices into the ribs. Store the unused portion of the spice mix for future use.

Place aluminum foil on lower rack to capture drippings and prevent flare-ups. Lay the ribs on the top rack of the grill (away from the coals, if you're using briquettes). Reduce gas heat to low, close lid, and leave undisturbed for 1 hour. Do not lift the lid at all.



Ingredients

Original recipe makes 4 servings
 4 potatoes
 4 eggs
 1/2 stalk celery, chopped
 1/4 cup sweet relish
 1 clove garlic, minced
 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add potatoes and cook until tender but still firm, about 15 minutes; drain and chop.

Place eggs in a saucepan and cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil; cover, remove from heat, and let eggs stand in hot water for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from hot water; peel and chop.

In a large bowl, combine the potatoes, eggs, celery, sweet relish, garlic, mustard, mayonnaise and salt and pepper. Gently mix together and serve warm.



Ingredients

Original recipe makes 1 layer cake
3 (10.25 ounce) packages white cake mix

- 9 egg whites
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 3 3/4 cups whole milk
- 2 tablespoons clear vanilla extract
- 2 tablespoons red food coloring
- 1 tablespoon blue food coloring
- 1 cup white chocolate chips
- 10 cups fluffy white frosting
- 1 tablespoon white chocolate chips, or as needed
- 2 tablespoons white sugar, or as needed
- 1 4-inch round paper or cardboard stencil

Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease and line 4 8-inch round cake pans with parchment paper.

Combine white cake mix, egg whites, vegetable oil, milk, and vanilla extract in a large mixing bowl. Beat for 30 seconds using an electric mixer on low speed. Increase mixer speed to medium and beat for 2 more minutes. The batter will still be slightly lumpy.

To make the red cakes, measure half the batter into a separate bowl and whisk in red food coloring. Evenly transfer the red batter into 2 of the 8-inch prepared cake pans; smooth tops of batter with a spatula. Transfer half of the remaining uncolored batter into a 3rd prepared cake pan; smooth top as before. This will be the white cake portion.

Add blue food coloring to the remaining uncolored batter in the large mixing bowl; fold 1 cup white chocolate chips into blue batter until combined. Transfer batter to remaining prepared 8-inch cake pan; smooth top of batter with a spatula.

Bake all 4 cakes in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center of each cake comes out clean, about 30 minutes. Remove the cakes from oven and place onto cooling racks until cooled completely.

Run a knife around edge of each cooled cake. Invert cakes, remove pans, and peel off parchment paper. Use a sharp knife to trim tops of cakes flat and even.

Cut both of the red cake layers and the white cake layers in half horizontally. You will have 4 thin red cake layers and 2 thin white cake layers.

Place a 4-inch round stencil on top of 1 thin red cake layer; cut out a 4-inch red cake round. Repeat, placing stencil on 1 thin white cake layer to make 1 4-inch white cake round. Center the 4-inch round stencil on the blue cake; cut out and remove center portion covered by the stencil to make a blue cake ring.

To assemble the cake, you will need 2 thin 8-inch red cake layers, 1 thin 8-inch white cake layer, 1 4-inch thin red cake circle, 1 4-inch thin white cake circle, and 1 blue 8-inch cake ring. Reserve the leftover thin red cake layers and other cake pieces for making crumbs for decorating.

To assemble cake, place 1 8-inch thin red cake layer on a cake pan and frost the top generously with white frosting. Place the thin 8-inch white cake layer on top of the red one, and frost the top. Place remaining 8-inch thin red cake layer atop the white one. Frost the red layer.

Place the blue ring cake on top of the 2nd red cake layer and carefully frost the inside of the blue cake ring. Gently fit the 4-inch white cake layer into the blue cake ring. Frost the top of the 4-inch white center. Place the 4-inch red cake layer on top of the white one. Gently press small cake circles flush with the top of the blue ring.

Frost the entire outside of the cake generously with the remaining frosting.

Crumble red and blue pieces of leftover cake into 2 separate bowls. Score lines into the top of the cake's frosting with a kitchen knife to make a flag design on top of the cake. It should have a 2-inch square at the upper left for blue field and white stars, and 7 thick horizontal stripes about 1 inch wide.

Fill the square field at the upper left with blue crumbs and press 1 tablespoon white chocolate chips upside-down into the blue crumbs to make 'stars.' Fill the bottom stripe and every other stripe with red crumbs to make red stripes. Sprinkle white sugar generously into the white stripes to make them stand out.

To serve, cut cake into wedges. The inside of the cake will reveal its layers of red and white stripes and blue field with white chocolate chip stars in every slice.

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North Fork Bowhunters Family Cookout

The North Fork Bowhunters would like to invite you and your family to our 4th annual Family Community Cookout Saturday, July 25 at 5p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Buck Winburn, The NorthFork Band and the Good Ole Boys Band. There will be great food, raffles and door prizes. The cost is \$10 for adults and children 10 and under are free. So mark your calendar now for a evening of great food/music and great family fun. The event will be at our clubhouse on North Fork Road. If you and your family are planning to attend please RSVP Rita Tolson at 606-231-6383

2015 Pirates Football Camp

The Powell County Pirates Football Camp will be held July 9-11. The schedule is: Thurs. July 9 at 8 am. On-site registration and breakfast at PCHS cafeteria. Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10 at 9 am camp kickoff at the PCHS football field. Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10 at 11 am is lunch at the PCHS cafeteria and dismissal. Then on Saturday, July 11 from 9-11 a.m. is Camp Competition Day. The 3 day camp cost: \$25/camper, July 9-11. Cost includes breakfast and lunch July 9 – 10. 1 Day Camp cost (Saturday, July 11): \$15/camper no breakfast or lunch served on Saturday, July 11. Eligibility: Any Powell County student who will be in grades K-8 for the 2015 school year. Contact Coach Brandon Brewer at 606-481-1503 or Email: brandon.brewer2@powell.kyschools.us

Red River Chamber of Commerce

The Red River Chamber of Commerce will hold meetings for ALL businesses on the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Stanton Depot.

Houndsmen Club Silver Dollar Hunt

The Powell County Houndsmen Club will host a Silver Dollar Hunt on Saturday, July 11. It's \$20 to hunt and \$10 to show. The show begins at 8 pm and the hunt at 10 pm. We are currently accepting new members. Don't forget the meetings are the first Sunday of the month, every month, at 3 pm at John

Barker's Garage. Any questions call James Reed at 606-481-4126 or Jimmy Spencer at 859-494-9924.

FOPCP Annual Yard Sale

Friends of Powell County's Pets will be having their annual yard on Saturday, July 11 from 8am-3pm at 4688 Main Street in Clay City, across from the Municipal Building. We'll have many fabulous items including household goods, furniture, books, clothing, kids stuff, jewelry, and much, much more. 100% of all proceeds are used to support our life-saving work including our spay/neuter clinics, community education, and adoption programs. No Early Birds please. If you have any questions, or wish to donate items, please call Panda at 512-470-0257.

Health Department Food Handler Classes

The Powell County Health Department will hold Food Handler Classes. Those classes will be held at the Powell County Extension Office located at 169 Maple Street in Stanton. The classes are scheduled for: Thursday, July 9 at 1:30 p.m.; Thursday, Aug. 13 at 1:30 p.m.; and Thursday, Sept. 10 at 1:30 p.m. Please check your card and attend class before the expiration date.

Help Powell Search & Rescue

The Powell County Search and Rescue Team is running the snack bar at the AmVets Post #67 in Clay City every Monday night 6-9 p.m. during bingo, as their main fundraiser to buy and maintain equipment. The team is made up all local volunteers who respond not only to woodland emergencies such as falls in the gorge area, but also to general community needs such as Amber and Golden Alerts. You don't have to play bingo to enjoy eats & treats from the snack bar, but if you do, you will be helping two charities at once!

Hall's Cemetery

If you have loved one buried in Hall's Cemetery on South Fork all donations for the upkeep of the cemetery will be greatly appreciated. Call or see Clayton Rogers in Bowen, or call 663-0756.

2015 Pirates Football Grade School Sign Ups

The Pirates Coaches invite all upcoming 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th graders wanting to play some serious & fun football to join the Pirate family. Sign-ups will be at the PCHS Football Field on **Monday, July 13 at 5 p.m.** Players will need a physical signed by a doctor (not a nurse) and a permission form signed by a parent or legal guardian. There is NO cost to play, but players must have their own shoes. Wear comfortable clothing (shoes & tee shirts) and drink plenty of water. All coaches encourage you to get involved in a sport that offers so much more than football. We are Family!

For more information call Coach Riggs (606-663-2400) or Coach Allen (606-663-2429.)

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CHURCH NEWS

Goff's Corner Church of God Indoor Yard Sale-Dinner & Bake Sale

The Goff's Corner Church of God, located at 115 Kiddville Road, will be holding an Indoor Yard Sale July 3-4 beginning at 9 a.m. each day. On Saturday, July 4 they will also have a Dinner/Bake sale, selling hamburger or hot dog, chips, drink and dessert for only \$5.

Epperson First Church of God 4th of July Celebration

The Epperson First Church of God is hosting their annual 4th of July Celebration on Sunday, July 5 at 7 p.m. Food, games and fireworks at dark. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy! Everyone welcome.

Blessed Assurance Church VBS

The Blessed Assurance Church will be having their Vacation Bible School from July 6-10 (Monday-Friday) from 6-8:30 p.m. each evening. The theme is "God's Big Backyard." The church is located at 155 Spout Springs Road in Clay City. If you need assistance you may call Pastor Gary Sparks at 859-556-0481 or Debra Sparks at 859-556-0721.

PCCUAD Prayer Meeting

The Powell County Christians United Against Drugs prayer meeting is held each Saturday at 9 am at the Clay City Baptist Church except for the first Saturday of each month: July 4 the prayer meeting will be at Morris Creek First Church of God, August 1 the prayer meeting will be at West Bend Church of God.

This prayer meeting is for all people of our county to attend and to meet together for a time of prayer not only for our drug situation but for other concerns as well. If further information is needed, please call 606-663-4356.

Prayer Line

If you are in need of prayer or need to leave a prayer request, call (606) 663-6172 or (606) 663-6385.

Community Calendar and Church News presented so that the community can be made aware of local events. We ask that all announcements should include a brief description of the event along with the time, date and location. Please include a phone number for more information with the announcement. Announcements can be submitted by mail, email or phone.
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Clay City Baptist, 7th St. & 8th Ave., Clay City, Grider Denney, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Evening Service 6:30 pm.

Crossroads Baptist, 2524 Virden Ridge Rd., Clay City, Pastor James Smith, Sunday Worship Service 6 pm; 606-481-3360.

Emmanuel Baptist, 745 W Highway 15 (across from PCHS) Stanton. Ph: 663-1300. ; Services: Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Evening Worship 6 pm, Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 725 Furnace Road, Stanton, KY 40380, Pastor: Ireland Sexton. Phone 606-663-0073.

Friendship Baptist Church, 105 Bluebird Lane (off Virden Ridge Rd.) Clay City, Clyde Spencer, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service Sunday, 11 am; Worship Service Saturday 6 pm. **Mill Knob Baptist Church**, 21 Rice Rd., Stanton, off Peck's Creek. Pastor, Warren Rogers 606-481-0444. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

Morris Creek Missionary Baptist, Hwy. 213 North, Pastor Bess Goss. Jr. Sunday School 10 am, worship 10:45 am.

Nada Baptist Mission, 120 Nada Tunnel Rd., Children's Sunday School 1:45 pm, Children's Music 2:30 pm, Adult Sunday School, 2:30 pm, Worship 3 pm, Pastor, Dr. John E. Owen, 859-744-2884

Powell's Valley Baptist, 125 Powell's Valley Rd., Clay City; Gary Willoughby, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday service 6 pm.

Rehoboth Baptist Mission, 663-1950; Gary Hurt, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Morning Service 11 am; Sunday Evening 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Baptist, 42 E. College Ave., Stanton, Ph. 663-2170; Jonathan Lewis , Min., Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; AWANAS Wednesday 6:30-8 pm & Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

West Bend Baptist.10124 Winchester Rd. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Pastor John C. Taylor. Phone 1-859-270-1599.

Calvary Baptist Church, Stokely Loop, Clay City, 663-1890; Johnny Hurt, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am; Evening Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

CATHOLIC

Our Lady Of The Mountains Church, 1093 E. College Ave., 663-5919; Sister Mary Jane Kreidler, pastoral director, and Father Al Fritsch, parish priest. Tuesday and Friday Mass 4:30 pm

CHRISTIAN

Stanton Christian, 100 West Church Street, Stanton, 663-2458; Senior Pastor, Chris Moon, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m. and Sunday Night Small Groups and Youth Groups at 6 p.m. Meal and Open Gym at 7 p.m. Wednesday Nigh Small Groups for all ages 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bowen Church of Christ, Luke Newell - 1st and 3rd Sunday; Daniel Newell - 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Cat Creek Church of Christ, Dwaine Meadows Min. Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; evening service 6p.m.' Wednesday 7 p.m.

Clay City Church of Christ, 5719 Main St., Clay City, Mack C. Rice and Daniel Newell, Ministers, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Church of Christ, 255 N. Main St., 663-5327; Brock Hartwigsen, Min., Sunday Service 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

Bowen First Church of God, 5555 Campton Road, Stanton (Bowen) 663-0751; Pastor Steven V. Williams, Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Clay City First Church of God; Interim Pastor, Max Molihan, 4236 Main St., Ph. 663-2810; Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Emmanuel's Tabernacle Church of God, Pastor: Kyle Shoupe; 859-749-4067; Sunday School, 1 pm, Worship Service, 2 pm; Sunday Night Service, 6:30 pm; Wed. night service, 7:00 pm; For more information 663-2266 or 663-8118.. Everyone is welcome.

Grace Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy, 775 E. College Ave., Willard Estep, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 6:30 pm, Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Hatcher's Creek Church of God, Worship Service 11 am and 6:30 pm.

Knowlton Church of God, Furnace Rd., Stanton, Kenny Wasson, Min, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 6 pm.; Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

Living Water Church, 780 North Fork Rd., Ph. 663-1979; Dale Hale, Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship Services 11 am and Sunday Night 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Middle Fork Church of God, 9479 Campton Road, Stanton; Pastor Garland Lacy; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.

More Than Enough Ministries Church of God, 1236 College St., Stanton, KY. Service Fridays 5-7 p.m., Clothing Giveaway Director Betsy A. Caudill , home (606)663-7849, cell (606)304-8838, **Morris Creek First Church of God**, 1669 Morris Creek Rd., Stanton, Raymond Tipton, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Mountain Parkway Church of God, 30 Adams Ridge Rd., Dale Payne, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

New Beginnings Church of God, 1091 Irvine Road, Hwy. 82, Clay City; Pastors Patty and Billie Utterback, Sunday School 11 am; Sunday Worship Services 12 pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6 pm., Wednesday and Saturday 7 pm.

Slade Church of God, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Worship 11 am; Sunday Night Service 6 pm. Pastors: Bill White . Campers Welcome.

Stanton First Church of God, 980 E. College Ave. P.O. Box 325, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm. Anthony T. Molihan minister.

Vaughn's Mill First Church of God, Hardwick's Creek Rd., Clay City, Teddie Linkous, Min.; Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:30; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Vaughn's Mill Full Gospel Church of God, Located off KY 2001 and Happy Top Road in Clay City. Services are: Sunday 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.; Sunday evening at 6 p.m.; Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

West Bend Church of God, 9866 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY 40312, Ph. 663-9210. Pastor Bro. Ray Wyant , home phone 859-498-2262 Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:00 pm., youth service 7 p.m. Wednesday prayer services at 7 p.m.

West Bend First Church of God, 8861 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY Pastor James Combs, Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday youth service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prayer service, 6:30 p.m.

Christian Fellowship Church of God, 4627 Main St., Clay City, Pastor Harold G. Kelly, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 am and Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

Walnut Grove Church of God, North Fork Road, Stanton, Anthony Bond Pastor, Sunday Morning Service 10 am; Wednesday Night service 6 pm.

LUTHERAN

Grace Lutheran Church, 108 Hemlock Dr., Winchester, Sunday School 9:15 am, Worship 10:30 am, 745-2873.

UNITED METHODIST

Clay City United Methodist, 7th St., Kim Rose, Min., Sunday School 10:00 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm.

El Bethel United Methodist Church, 5229 Trapp-Goff's Corner Road (behind Goff's Corner Market) Winchester,; Rev. Mike Albertson, Pastor; 606-233-7407; Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship 11 am; Sunday Night Bible Study 7 pm.

Hardwicks Creek United Methodist, Hardwicks Creek, Pastor Chris Harrison, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 5 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

Shiloh United Methodist, 2652 Campton Rd. (SR 11 & 15) Stanton, Ph. 663-5633; Derek Hickman, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6:30 pm; Youth Ministries, 6:30 pm Sunday; Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Online: www.shilohunited.org, or facebook.com/shiloh united stanton or email at ShilohUnitedWorship@gmail.com

West Bend United Methodist, 8677 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ph. 663-5534; Michael R.Guertin, Pastor, (931) 237-0569; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship, 11 am and 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Full Gospel Lighthouse, Fifth Ave., Clay City, Sammy Faulkner, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm

Harvestime Assembly 480 E. College Ave., Stanton; Sunday, 10 am, 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday, 7 pm. Rev. Tony Story, 606-663-9866.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian, Phillip Pogue, 420 N. Main St., Stanton, Ph. 663-2914; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 7:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

OTHER

Airport Chapel, Stanton, Scoby Faulkner, Min.

Blessed Assurance Church, 155 Spout Springs RD., Clay City., ; Gary Sparks, pastor. Randy Sparks, assistant pastor, Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; Sunday night 6 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Service 6 p.m. ; Friday evening worship, 6 p.m. Phone 859-556-0481

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1085 Grand Ave., Beattyville. Branch president, James R. Ellison; Sacrament meeting, 10:30-11:30; Sunday School 11:40-12:20; Priesthood and relief society 12:20-1 p.m.; missionaries phone 859-432-9584. Ronald E. Roberts 1st Counselor in the branch presidency, 1452 Brookside Dr., Stanton. Phone 606-481-9770

Three Cross Mission Church, Sunday School 10 am, Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm and Wednesday Service 6:30 pm, Clay City, KY

Full Gospel Church, 27 Hunter Ln., Clay City; Pastor, Ralph Banks; Sunday Services 6 p.m., Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.

House of Prayer For All People, Helton Mtn., Slade, Dale Helton, Min., Worship Service, Sunday 2 pm.

Nada Baptist Mission, Tunnel Rd., Dr. John Owen, pastor; Phone 859-744-2884. Services 2 p.m. Sunday School; 3 p.m. worship.

Never Ending Grace Community Church, 29 Howell Lane, Clay City, Stephen Donithan, pastor 859-585-8756 Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Pine Grove C.M.E. Church, 9575 Winchester Rd., Clay City KY 40312. Sunday School: 10 am.; worship service 11 a.m.; Pastor, Diane Flora.

Vaughns Mill Community Chuch, hosting **God's Fresh Start Church** 155 Spout Springs Road, Clay City, Ph. 859-608-6525, Thomas Rogers, pastor, Sunday Service 2 p.m.; Thursday night 7 p.m.

Wings of Love Church, 7283 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ricky Shuler, pastor, Children's Sunday School, 5:30 p.m., Sunday Service 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday night 7 p.m.

Wildwood Chapel, 1599 Halls Hill Road, Stanton. Pastor: George Sparks, 606 -663-9950. Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Services 11 a.m., Friday Service at 7 p.m.

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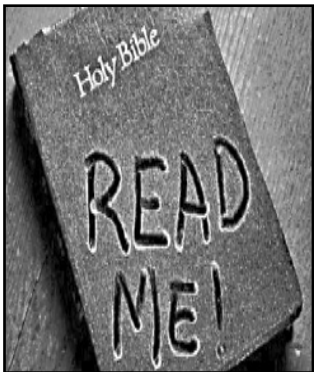
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SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Date: July 9th, 2015 Time: 5:30 Place: Stanton Firehouse

This is the Public Appeal Hearing of a Zoning Officers Decision.

The Stanton Zoning Officer had asked the

Renewed You Clinic at 203 North Main Street, Stanton, KY

to obtain a conditional use permit to run the

clinic type business in a B-2 Zone.

The Renewed You Clinic responded per attorney by filing an Appeal

from Administrative/Zoning Officer Form which per

KRS requires them to now go before the Board of

Adjustment. Anyone that has any comments or

concerns needs to attend this public appeal hearing.

CITY OF CLAY CITY, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. 15-06-15

An Ordinance Relating to the Adoption of a Budget for the City of Clay City for Fiscal Year 2015-2016

WHEREAS, KRS Chapter 91A requires that each Municipality accept a budget for each fiscal year:

AND WHEREAS the City of Clay City is desirous of adopting a budget as a proposed plan for raising and spending money for specified programs, functions, activities and objectives during the fiscal year so as to provide for efficient financial administration.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF CLAY CITY, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

Section1. That the attached budget is accepted by the Ciyt of Clay City, Kentuckcy as its annual budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 so as to comply with KRS Chapter 91A, and shall act as the guide for expenditure of funds by the City.

Section 2. The Ordinance shall take effect after its passage and upon publication.

Enacted this the 18th day of May 2015.

/s/ James Caudill, Mayor

Attest:

Stacey Curtis, City Clerk

First Reading: 5-18-15

Second Reading: 6-15-15

Signed By Mayor: 6-15-15

Publication: 6-24-15

A complete copy of the 2015-2016 Budget is on file at City Hall, 4651 Main st., Clay City, and is available for inspection during normal business hours of 8 am to 5 pm Monday thru Friday. Personal copies are available at duplication cost of 25 cents per page.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

DECEASED: JOHN Meins, Executor/Administrator: Sharon Meins Lewis, Date of Appt: 6-23-2015, Attorney: NA, Address: 323 Castle Blvd. Paris, KY 40361

Notice is given by the Powell District Court that administration has been given in the above estate. All persons having claim against the estate have six months from the date of appointment to file the claim properly with the respective representative.

Darlene Drake, Clerk

Powell District Court

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Powell County Schools Surplus Auction

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19. Garden handtool
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21. Personnel director
22. Kiss
23. E.P.A. concern
25. Indy entrant
27. Go after
28. Of considerable size or value
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35. Capable of being put into service (var. spelling)
36. Publicity, slangily
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40. Be crazy about
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50. No longer active in a profession
52. Angry stare
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54. New Zealand lizard-like reptile
55. Misleading falsehoods
56. Literary works using irony to expose folly
57. Amazing adventure
58. Lead

DOWN

1. ___ Brooks, country music artist
2. Ticks and mites
3. Chopper blade
4. Small mammals with constantly growing incisor teeth
5. Creative writing
6. And others, for short
7. Undertake, with “out”
8. Leguminous plants poisonous to livestock
9. “Reversal of Fortune” star
10. Slog
11. Debonair
12. Perplexing
13. Component of nucleic acids
14. Computer operating systems
20. Terminated before intended end
22. Elaine ___ (“Seinfeld” role)
24. Sideshow performers
26. Beer buy
27. Opportunity to start over (2 wds)
28. “Paradise Lost” character
29. Without embellishment
30. Rank of European noblemen
31. “A Doll’s House” playwright
32. A chorus line
39. Pertaining to family favoritism
41. Fastens shoelaces again
44. Sharp, narrow mountain ridge
45. Chaotic
47. Cognizant
48. Wrapped in a waxed shroud
49. Clear, as a disk
51. Western blue flag, e.g.
52. Plant whose seeds yield a thickening agent gum
53. Tokyo, formerly
54. Cooking meas.

WORD SEARCH

- Acres
- Affect
- Angel
- Assist
- Boiling
- Castle
- Clams
- Closer
- Communicate
- Count
- Drama
- Eaten
- Effect
- Fields
- Globe
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- Older
- Panel
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- Powered
- Prayer
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D.R. Adams Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., arrived here Thursday to work with telephone crew and received a message Saturday that his mother was dead. He left immediately for home. He has all the sympathy of all here who knew him. Unexpectedly deaths are doubly severe.
The American Telephone Company is putting up six more wires on the Southern Bell Telephone Company's line and are at present stationed at Slade, will move to Campton middle of week. We take pleasure in recommending Mr. Belcher and his crew to the good citizens of Wolfe and Breathitt counties. They are a splendid bunch of men, have made lasting friends among the people of Powell County. This crew goes to Jackson, will be met there by another crew who is working from Virginia this way.
Mr. Belcher spent the weekend with his family at Lexington and Mr. Braden spent the weekend with Mrs. Braden at Clay City.

Dr. E. E. Curry

DENTIST

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In Clay City Thursdays

Supreme Court Rules Against EPA Regulations

Washington, D.C. – Monday, the United States Supreme Court sent the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) back to the drawing board by invalidating its sweeping Mercury and Air Toxics Standard (MATS) for power plants on the grounds that the EPA failed to consider how much it would cost to comply with the proposal. The challenge to the regulation was brought by representatives of the electric utility industry and 21 states, including the Commonwealth of Kentucky, which argued that the EPA's analysis failed to reflect the cost to industry stakeholders and ratepayers of installing billions of dollars' worth of environmental control equipment.
“Today, the Supreme Court has acknowledged what ratepayers, utilities, state governments, small businesses, manufacturers and farmers have been saying for years,” said Congressman Barr. “The Obama Administration's EPA is out of control, bypassing Congress and the legislative process to impose economically destructive mandates without considering the costs to American families and businesses.”
“While this particular decision pertains only to the MATS rule, the Court's decision legitimizes the work of the majority in Congress to end the EPA's War on Coal, including its proposed Clean Power Plant rule, which would, if enacted, dramatically increase utility costs for hardworking Americans. Now is the time for the Obama Administration to finally abandon its energy rationing agenda and start working with Congress to enact policies that will protect our environment without killing jobs or raising energy costs.”

DISTRCIT COURT NEWS

Powell District Court 6-23

- Ronnie D. Epperson, arraignment, possession of marijuana; drug paraphernalia - buy/possess. Plead not guilty, pretrial conference scheduled for August 18.
- Christian Johnson, arraignment, unlawful transaction with minor - third degree. Plead not guilty, pretrial conference scheduled for August 18.
- Kimberly Lewis, arraignment, harassment - no physical contact. Plead not guilty, pretrial conference scheduled for July 21.
- Michael J. Reynolds, arraignment, public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol). Did not appear, bench warrant issued, \$2,500 cash bond.
- Jason A. Benton, arraignment, failure to wear seat belts; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security first. Plead guilty, \$500 plus cost.
- Nickleous C. Booth, arraignment, no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, first; failure to produce insurance card; failure to wear seat belts; improper display of registration plates; operating on suspended/revoked operators license. Plead not guilty, pretrial conference scheduled for July 21.
- Natalie Dallabrida, arraignment, failure to wear seat belts. Failure to appear.
- James C. Denniston, arraignment, failure to produce insurance card; improper/no windshield. Failure to appear.
- Tony L. Eller, arraignment, no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; improper display of registration plates; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle; improper/no windshield. Show cause hearing scheduled for July 28.
- Ronald McCarty, Jr., arraignment, leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance. Passed to July 28.
- James K. Ralson, arraignment, speeding 5 mph over limit; no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; failure to produce insurance card. Failure to appear.
- Amani Shalash, arraignment, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security first; failure to produce insurance card; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; license to be in possession. Continued to July 21.
- Edna M. Trent-Meyer, arraignment, speeding 5 mph over limit. Failed to appear.
- Randell R. Watkins, arraignment, failure to wear seat belts; no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. Failed to appear.
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Megan Parker
Columnist

Growing up my family had a different definition of summer vacation. We didn't travel, never went to the beach or spent the weekend in Tennessee. My first time traveling out of state was on my Senior Trip and last summer was my first time seeing the ocean.

Now a lot of people would think that our summers were just horrible and boring. Not going on vacation? Me on the other hand, I'm glad we spent our summers at home and with our family.

Young or old, usually everyone in the family spent most of the summer either in the garden or in the kitchen. You were either picking, stringing, snapping or shucking outside, or pickling, peeling and canning inside.

My favorite was always stringing the green beans and I still enjoy it to this day. Just not with as much enthusiasm as I use to have.

But out of all of that, my favorite part of summer

The sweet, sweet smell of summer

was walking into my Granny Mary's house and smelling cinnamon. You see, the smell of cinnamon meant that she was baking bread, and not just any bread, Zucchini bread.

Mmm! That smell meant that either she had already baked the bread and was sitting it out to cool, or it was in the oven just waiting on us grandkids to get a warm slice.

Sometimes Granny would let us help her in the kitchen. Maybe grate the zucchini or break up the walnuts that she put in her bread. Most times we made too big of a mess and she would shoo us out to the front porch.

That was fine with me. From the porch you could look in and see those two beautiful brown loves of perfection cooling on the counter top.

That first bite of warm zucchini bread was pure love, and to wash it down with a cold glass of milk was just perfection!

Now that my Granny Mary has passed on, I make sure to bake a few loaves of Zucchini bread every summer. I've changed the recipe a bit over the years, but every once in a while, I'll make it using her recipe and it brings back all those childhood memories of summer that can't be brought back. Those memories are better than any

vacation I could have ever taken.

Usually, if my husband leaves any left, I share the bread with family and friends. You see, to me, I'm not only sharing a part of my childhood with you, I'm sharing a slice of love, just like Granny Mary did.

Meg's Zucchini Bread

- 3 eggs
- 3 tsp vanilla
- 1 c. applesauce
- 2 1/2 c. sugar
- 3 c. flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp soda
- 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 3 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 c. chopped nuts (walnuts or pecans)
- 1/2 c. dried cranberries or raisins
- 2 c. grated zucchini

In a large bowl beat together eggs, vanilla, applesauce, sugar and cinnamon until combined. In a separate bowl mix your dry ingredients together; flour, salt, soda, baking powder. Stir in zucchini, nuts and cranberries into the wet mixture and gradually stir in your dry ingredients until combined. Bake at 350° for 1 hour in greased loaf pan, or until a tooth pick comes out clean. Let cool. Makes two loaves.



Celebrate the 4th of July Holiday Weekend at a Kentucky State Park

Get your red, white and blue on at Kentucky State Parks this July!

Enjoy Fourth of July activities at a Kentucky State Park this year. Events include fireworks displays, picnics, entertainment and more.

Some parks are having weekend events, while others are hosting events earlier in the week. See the list below for event dates and descriptions. Kentucky State Parks have lodges, cottages, restaurants, campgrounds, historic sites, marinas, golf courses, hiking trails, fishing and many more recreational activities.

To make lodging or camping reservations or to learn more about Kentucky State Parks and events, visit www.parks.ky.gov

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park, Buckhorn Celebrate Independence Day Weekend, July 3-5

Activities at Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park will begin Friday, July 3, at 2 p.m. with water raft races (bring your own water raft), water balloons, corn hole, horseshoes, and beach volleyball. There will be music with a DJ before the

fireworks. Food booth will be open near the beach. Fireworks Friday at dusk. A Friday dinner buffet from 5-8 p.m. will include ribs, catfish, chicken and dumplings, vegetables, and assorted desserts. The price is \$14 for adults, \$7 for children ages 6-12, and free for all children 5 and under. This price does not include drink, tax or gratuity. On Saturday from 5-8 p.m., there will be a buffet with pot roast, fried chicken and catfish, vegetables and assorted desserts. Price will be \$14 for adults, \$7 for children 6-12, and free for all children 5 and under. This price does not include drink, tax or gratuity. Family activities will continue through Saturday and Sunday around the park. Call 1-800-325-0058 for more information.

Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, Corbin Laser Light Show July 3

Enjoy a laser light show after dark at Cumberland Falls on July 3. Bring your camp chairs to this family event. Tickets are \$5 a person; children under 12 are \$3. Tickets can be purchased at the event or in

advance by calling 800-325-0063. Friday and Saturday, the park will have games, music, crafts and food.

Jefferson Davis State Historic Site, Fairview July 4th Celebration

Visit the park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to hear a reading of the Declaration of Independence, a re-enactment of the signing of the document, a parade of soldiers old and new, period music and vendors. For more information, call 270-889-6100.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg Fourth of July Weekend, July 3-5

There is no better way to celebrate Fourth of July Weekend than with all the fun-filled programs and events at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park! Enjoy recreational and nature programs along with holiday activities and crafts all weekend. Tickle your taste buds and your ears during "Friday after 5!" on July 3, with live music on the May Lodge patio overlooking scenic Dewey Lake. If you are looking for some interactive historical fun, check out our Kentucky Chautau-

qua program featuring Mel Hankla as George Rogers Clark beginning at 7 p.m. Friday at the campground dance pad. If you want to kick up your heels take part in the square, folk, and country line dancing program each night starting at 8 p.m. Fireworks can be seen in nearby downtown Prestonsburg on Saturday, July 4. For more information call 1-800-325-0142.

Lake Cumberland State Resort Park, Jamestown Independence Day Celebration July 3-5

Celebrate Independence Day weekend at Lake Cumberland State Park! Family activities will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There will be a cornhole tournament, youth archery, balloon launcher, paracord bracelets and other outdoor games and activities. On Saturday at 7 p.m. there will be a live magic show featuring Dave Cottrell at the campground amphitheater. Fireworks will be held at the park on Saturday evening at dusk, sponsored by State Dock and Jamestown Marina. Call the park for more information at 1-800-325-1709.

Levi Jackson State Park, London Holiday Celebration July 3-4

Come out to Levi Jackson State Park to enjoy the holiday weekend. On Friday, July 3, the Kentucky Reptile Zoo Presents "The World of Reptiles" with Scott Shupe at 2 p.m. at the campground shelter. On Friday at 8 p.m., "Tales of the Thunderbolt People" Cherokee demonstration by David Owens will be held. On Saturday, July 4, the annual Fourth of July bicycle parade starts at noon. Decoration and face-painting begin at 10:30 a.m. Call 606-330-2130 for more information.

Paintsville Lake State Park, Paintsville Holiday Weekend Fun

Weekend events at Paintsville Lake State Park will include "The World of Reptiles" with Scott Shupe on Friday at 7 p.m.; and Dave Stahl, "the Piano Doctor," on Saturday at 6 p.m. Both events will be at shelter No. 3. Call 606-297-8486 for more information.

Rough River Dam State Park, Falls of Rough Rumble over Rough River, July 4

Rough River Dam State Resort Park will host the annual Rumble over Rough fireworks display on July 4. The fireworks display is sponsored by the Friends of Rough River and local business and tourism sites. The park will offer a variety of recreational activities throughout the day for park guests and visitors. At dusk, tune your radios and listen to patriotic-themed music as you watch the fireworks display rumble over Rough River Lake. The park offers 40 lodge rooms, 17 cottages, full-service marina, Grayson's Landing restaurant, 18-hole miniature golf, disc golf, hiking trails and an airport. Call the park directly for more information at 1-800-325-1713.

Taylorsville Lake State Park, Taylorsville July 3rd Fireworks

Spencer County Tourism will be sponsoring the third annual Fireworks over Taylorsville Lake on Friday, July 3, at the Possum Ridge Ramp at Taylorsville Lake State Park. The display will begin at dusk. Call 502-477-8713 for details.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Powell County Democrat Committee

The Powell County Democrat Committee will meet each third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the courthouse, if court is in session we will be in the small courtroom. Come out and join your party.

AmVets Meeting

AmVets Post 67, Clay City, monthly meeting, the first Sunday every month at 2 p.m. Bingo every Monday at 6:30 p.m.

The Powell County Library

Powell County Public Library Board Meeting will be held on the third Monday of the month at 4 p.m. in the library. Story Time at the Powell County Public Library is every Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for

ages 3 to 5 years. We will read stories, do crafts and sometimes a movie.

Save Furnace Mountain

Save Furnace Mountain is hosted by the Mountain Preservation Coalition and meets the third Tuesday each month at 6 p.m. at the new CSEPP Building located at the Industrial Park in Stanton. Everyone encouraged to attend!

Disabled American Veteran Meeting

The Monthly Meeting of the Powell County Disabled American Veterans Powell County Chapter # 103 is held on the second Thursday each month at 30 Bright Street Stanton at 6 p.m.

Powell County Tourism Commission

The regular board meet-

ings are held every fourth Wednesday at 1 pm. The meetings are held at the new office location at 164 N Main Street, Stanton. The old depot building next to the Dollar General Store. The meeting time is 1 pm. For more information call 606-481-9470.

Red River Gorge/ Nada Tunnel Festival

The committee for the Red River Gorge/Nada Tunnel Festival will meet the first Tuesday of each month at the Middlefork Fire Department at 6 p.m. during the winter months.

Vets Benefits

A Veteran's Benefits Field Representative will be at the Powell County Courthouse in Stanton, Kentucky on the first Thursday of each month. The hours are from

8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. For further information call toll free 1-866-376-0308.

Powell County Houndsmen Club

The Powell County Houndsmen Club meets the first Sunday of the month, every month at 3 p.m. at John Barker's Garage.

Stanton Parks and Recreation Board

The Stanton Parks and Recreation Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings will be held at the city building in the Senior Citizens building located at the city park.

Friends of PC Pets Meetings

Friends of Powell County's Pets hold their monthly

meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Powell County Public Library. If you have any questions or you would like to volunteer or foster, please stop by.

Brianna's Sanctuary Meetings

Brianna's Sanctuary & Rescue monthly meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on the second Friday of each month, at the Powell County Public Library. If you would like to volunteer or find out the requirements for fostering, come by and join us. For questions call (606) 663-2353 or (859) 576-4846.

Red River Homemakers Club

The Red River Homemakers Club will hold their meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

at the Extension Office from September through May. Call 663-6405 or 606-231-6383 for more information

Clay City Homemakers

The Clay City Homemakers meet on the first Thursday of the month at noon at the Powell County Extension Office.

Quilt Club

The Quilt Club meets the second Monday of the month at 11 a.m. at the Powell County Extension Office.

If your organization has a regular or special meeting you want to let people know about call us at 663-5540 or email us at cctimesnews@bellsouth.net